

News from The Arboretum

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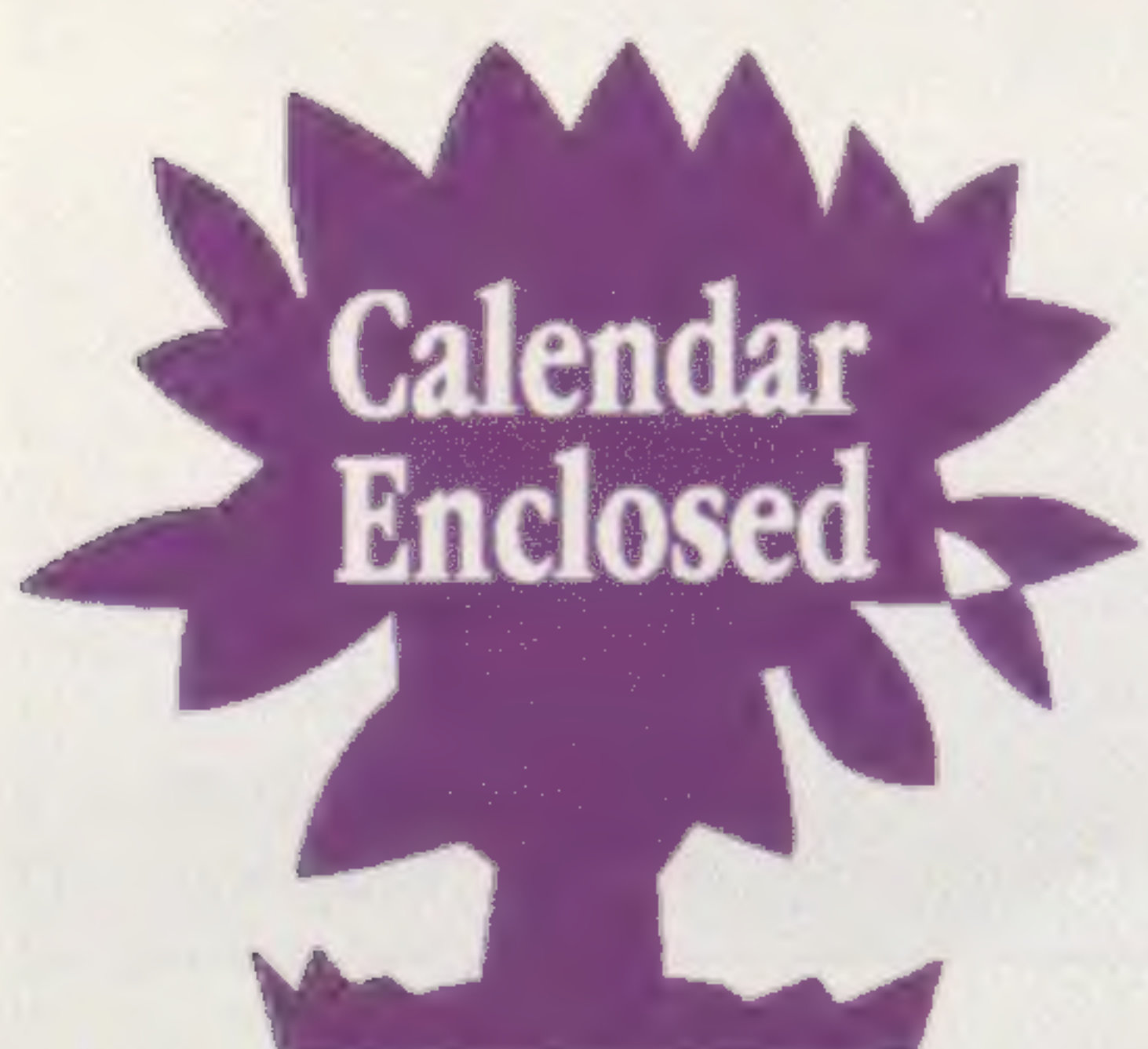
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OUR EVOLUTION CONTINUES... JOIN IN!

The numbers are finally in...during the year 2000, we had a 39% increase in attendance! A special thanks must be given to all the staff and volunteers who worked so hard to enhance the grounds, improve our educational offerings and support our institution in so many ways.

As you may know, the 2000 Annual Appeal is our most successful to date. In addition, the Baldwin Bonanza Patrons' Drive indicates a thriving campaign as well. These fundraisers, along with the annual Baldwin Bonanza, are our most vital ways for raising money for The Arboretum.

Baldwin Bonanza 2001

Plans are nearly complete for the 2001 Baldwin Bonanza Plant Festival & Sale, scheduled for May 4, 5 and 6. We are all very excited about this upcoming event, which promises to be the best ever! This year, Sylvia Guerrero, Director of Special Events, is in charge of all operations, with the assistance of Larry Trujillo, Director of Development,

and Timothy Phillips, Superintendent. These very capable people are being supported by volunteers, staff, our Board of Trustees, as well as many members of The Arboretum. We are fortunate to have such talented and committed people involved, for Baldwin



Bonanza is our single most important fundraiser on the calendar.

The evening of Friday, May 4th will be a fabulous experience complete with our exciting Silent Auction, delectable offerings of foods provided by many great local restaurants, the first

opportunity to see fantastic plant displays created by over twenty garden

designers and to buy from our diverse plant collections, as well as the chance to mingle with other guests within a beautiful garden wonderland! The following two days will be devoted to educational programs, viewing the garden designs and, of course, our

complex lives. This series will feature world-renowned explorers/scientists, who will share their spellbinding personal experiences in their quests for knowledge from the diverse, and often primitive cultures of the world. In a race against time, they are frantically seeking an elusive as well as disappearing body of knowledge from shaman, or medicine men, whose numbers are rapidly dwindling.

So, I hope that all of you will be participating in our ever developing, challenging and exciting programs, offerings and fund-raising efforts to further our commitment to you.

Thank you for your continued support.

Peter C. Atkins

famous plant sale. It promises to be an outstanding three-day extravaganza!

The support and participation of our community is absolutely critical in order for The Arboretum to continue its evolution towards becoming a superior community service facility. We have need for all of you to be a part of our development, whether it be as a donor and/or a participant. Our current plans include adding more programs, lectures, gardens, collections, as well as upgrading our infrastructure.

New Ethnobotanical Series

Kicking-off our new educational focus this year is our lecture series on Ethnobotany, or the relationships between people and plants. This fascinating subject includes pharmacology, medicine, food, clothing, and religion...just about everything that supports our

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BALDWIN BONANZA 2001

The 31st Festival of Plants Promises to be the "Biggest and the Best." Don't miss this incredible event May 4-5-6!

Festivities begin Friday night, May 4

The traditional reservation only Preview Party, Silent Auction and Plant Sale Fundraiser kicks off the weekend's activities from 4:30 PM to 7:30 PM. Preview Party guests will have the opportunity to purchase plants prior to the public sale and bid on many unique Silent Auction offerings.

During the Preview Party activities, guests will also enjoy fabulous foods from some of San Gabriel Valley's finest restaurants and caterers. Serving up sample tastings of their finest will be Alexandra Poer, Bistro 45, Café Bizou, Chez Sateau, Ducz, Hugo Molina Restaurant, Il Fornaio, Louise's Trattoria, Ritz-Carlton Huntington Hotel, Simply Unique Catering and The Kitchen for Exploring Foods.

Tickets to this event are \$50.00 per person and will be available for purchase beginning March 1.

"Garden Galleries" Debuts

As a highlight of Baldwin Bonanza 2001, "Garden Galleries" will be the place to discover garden creativity at its best. Twenty Southern California designers will present indoor and outdoor design ideas for "favorite places and unlikely spaces". Among the garden design displays you will be able to experience up close are:

A Trip to the High Sierras...
right in your own garden.

The Breakfast Nook Garden—
Outside and Edible

Dad's Dendrobium Den—
All the good things in life

Beauty & Bounty—
Fruit and Herbs Landscape

The Faux Side of a Barn—
What to do with that silly little side yard.

As a special feature of the Preview Party, guests will have the opportunity to learn more about these designs during the "Garden Walk & Talk".

Plant Emporium

A haven for the garden

enthusiast, thousands of plants from The Arboretum and participating nurseries will be available to purchase. You will find:

Special offerings from The Arboretum's orchid collection.

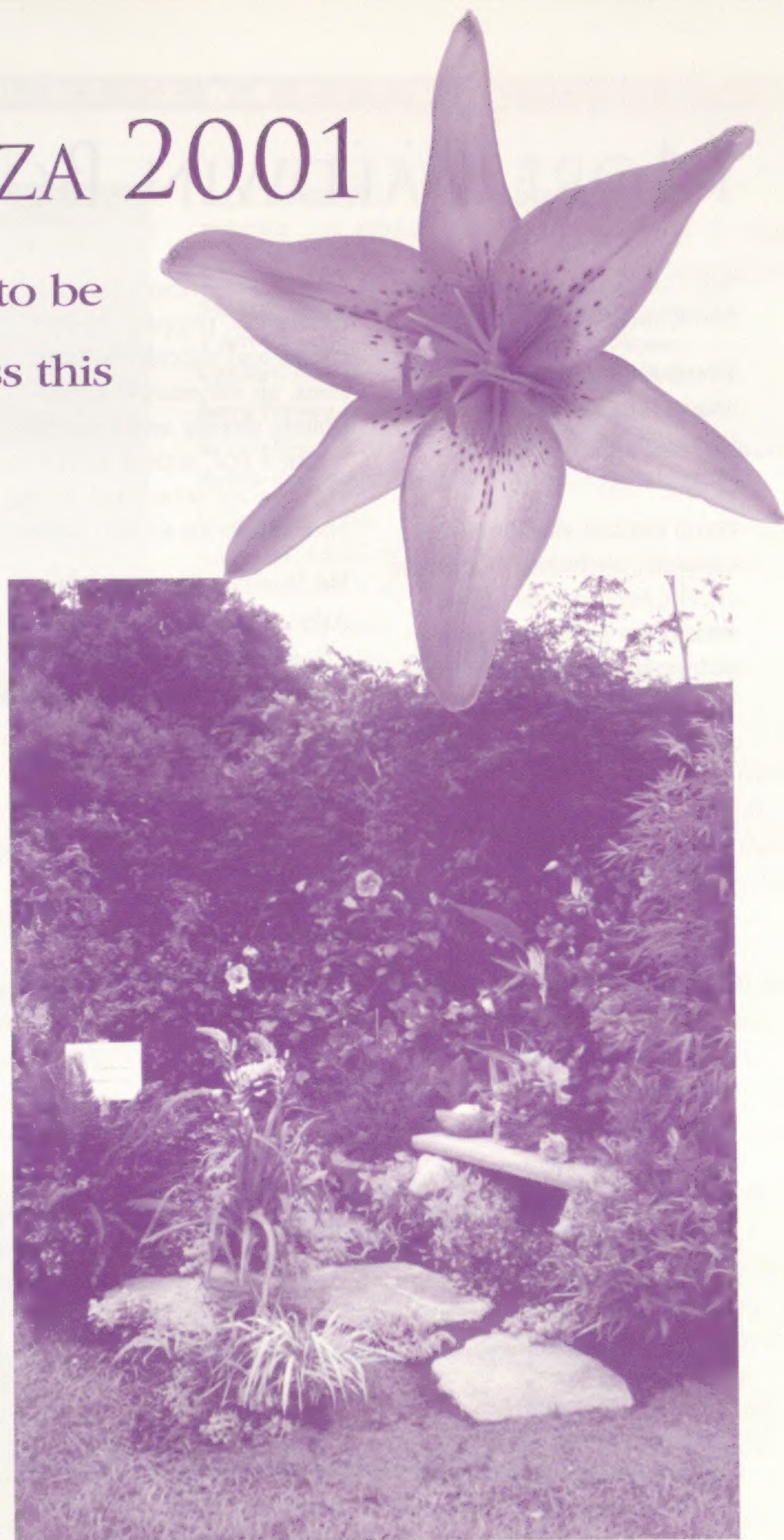
Tropical and cold hardy palms and hard to find cycad species, many seldom if ever available, from Jungle Music Palms & Cycads, San Diego, CA

Interesting and colorful cacti and succulent plants from California Nursery Specialties

"Cactus Ranch", North Hills, CA
Pelargoniums including many fancy leafed zonals, ivys, regals, angels and scented from Katie's Scented & Other Greens, Long Beach, CA

Unique and one of a kind bonsai including several varieties of Japanese maples and a new and unusual "Good Luck Money Tree" from San Gabriel Nursery & Florist, San Gabriel, CA

Unusual plant material from
Continued on back



MORE BALDWIN BONANZA

San Gabriel Nursery & Florist,
San Gabriel, CA.

Unusual plant material from
around the world from Desert
to Jungle Nursery,
Montebello, CA.

Hand crafted and fanciful
topiaries, including butterflies
and hummingbirds, filled
with zesty herbs and proven
perennials from Pacific Coast
Topiary, Chino Hills, CA

Beautiful flowering perenni-
als, exciting new flowering
shrubs, old fashioned and
cottage garden type roses
will be featured by Design II,
Vista, CA

Orchids, as individual pieces
of life statements, meant to
last for generations, will be
presented by Maisie Orchid
Nurseries of Temple City, CA

The newest and brightest
plus old time favorite roses,
roses and more roses,
including climbing, weeping,
tea, and antique roses from
Otto & Sons Nurseries,
Filmore, CA

Many of our Southern
California Plant Societies will
also be exhibiting at Baldwin
Bonanza including San
Gabriel Valley Cactus &
Succulent Society, California
Rare Fruit Growers, Herb
Society of America, Southern
California Section, Los
Angeles International Fern
Society, Pacific Rose Society,
Santa Anita Bonsai Society

Garden Chats Throughout Each Day

A full program of
informal educational garden
chats will take place every
half-hour at the various plant
areas throughout the week-
end. Talks on herbs, roses,

orchids, heirloom tomatoes,
perennials, peppers, bonsai,
cactus and succulents, fruit
trees, an informative ethno-
botany display and a special
"plant a pot" activity center for
children are scheduled. Bring
your questions to our experts.

Be Sure to Stop By The Arboretum Activity Area

Learn about all of The
Arboretum programs, benefits
and volunteer opportunities
available to you. And finally,
select that perfect garden gift
from the Gift Shop cart.

So, don't miss Baldwin
Bonanza 2001. The weekend
is full of activities and plants
that will meet your every
garden need and desire.



Members of Los Voluntarios, The Arboretum's volunteer organization, are an integral part of the Baldwin Bonanza Festival. From propagating plants for sale, to working in the gift shop and helping at the cash registers, their contribution to the success of Baldwin Bonanza is immense.

PREVIEW PARTY & PLANT SALE

Friday, May 4
4:30 PM - 7:30 PM

MEMBERS ONLY PLANT SALE

Saturday, May 5
8:00 AM - 9:00 AM

PUBLIC PLANT SALE

Saturday, May 5
9:00 AM - 4:30 PM

Sunday, May 6
9:00 AM - 4:30 PM



CLASSES AND ACTIVITIES APRIL AND MAY 2001

PLEASE CALL (626) 821-4623 OR 821-4624 TO RESERVE A SPACE.

TAI CHI IN THE GARDEN

Every Tuesday & Friday
7:30 am - 8:30 am

Meet on the lawn near
the main Baldwin
Avenue entrance in
front of the fountains

Marvin Quon,
Instructor

Free for Arboretum
members

Though a form of martial arts, most Tai Chi exercises are slow, soft and graceful movements, a moving form of meditation. Learn about balance, alignment, focus and the rhythm of movement. Many participants notice benefits in terms of correcting poor posture, alignment, and movement patterns. Begin your day surrounded by the beauty of The Arboretum.

Join Marvin Quon for *World Tai Chi Day*, April 7 at Brookside Park at the Rose Bowl.

ETHNOBOTANY LECTURE

Thursday, April 5
7:30 pm

Ayres Hall

Dr. Michael Balick
from The New York
Botanical Garden
\$12/\$15 non-members
Reservations Required

Dr. Balick, Director and Philecology Curator of the Institute of Economic Botany at The New York Botanical Garden, will speak on *Ancient Wisdom and Modern Medicine: Ethnobotanical Exploration in Central America and the Pacific*. He will also bring copies of his latest book *Rainforest Remedies* which discusses traditional healing. For further details, please see extended article elsewhere in this Newsletter.

FRAGRANT PLANTS

Saturday, April 21
1 pm - 3 pm

Peacock Cafe Annex

Kelly Kubica, Instructor
\$12/\$15 non-members

Have you noticed how a certain fragrance can bring back a memory or an experience? Or that the scent of a particular blossom can transport you to another place? Use plants in containers on your patio or place a favorite scent near a window so the aroma can drift indoors. Discover the very best and most successful fragrant plants for your garden, and take home information that will remind you of all you have learned. The last part of the class will include a walk around The Arboretum to actually see the fragrant plants in a natural setting.

ALL ABOUT TREES - A FREE LECTURE

Sunday, April 29

1 pm - 2 pm

Lecture Hall A

Jerry Turney, Instructor
In celebration of
Arbor Day, No Charge

In honor of the national Arbor Day celebration on April 27, arborist Jerry Turney will give an informative talk on trees. His lecture will include tree selection, the correct way to plant, care and maintenance, the correct way to prune trees as well as information on pests. Jerry is also a plant pathologist so bring your questions!

COLOR PENCIL ILLUSTRATION

April 30 - May 16

Mondays & Wednesdays, 6 classes

9 am - Noon

Peacock Café Annex

Olga Eysymontt,
Instructor

\$180/\$200 non-member

Learn how to apply color pencil techniques to your botanical illustrations. Demonstrations include color mixing exercises, textural techniques, types of papers to use for specific looks, and color application to leaves, flowers and natural forms, such as bark and rocks.

BEYOND BOXWOOD: A NEW LOOK AT HEDGES

Wednesday, May 16

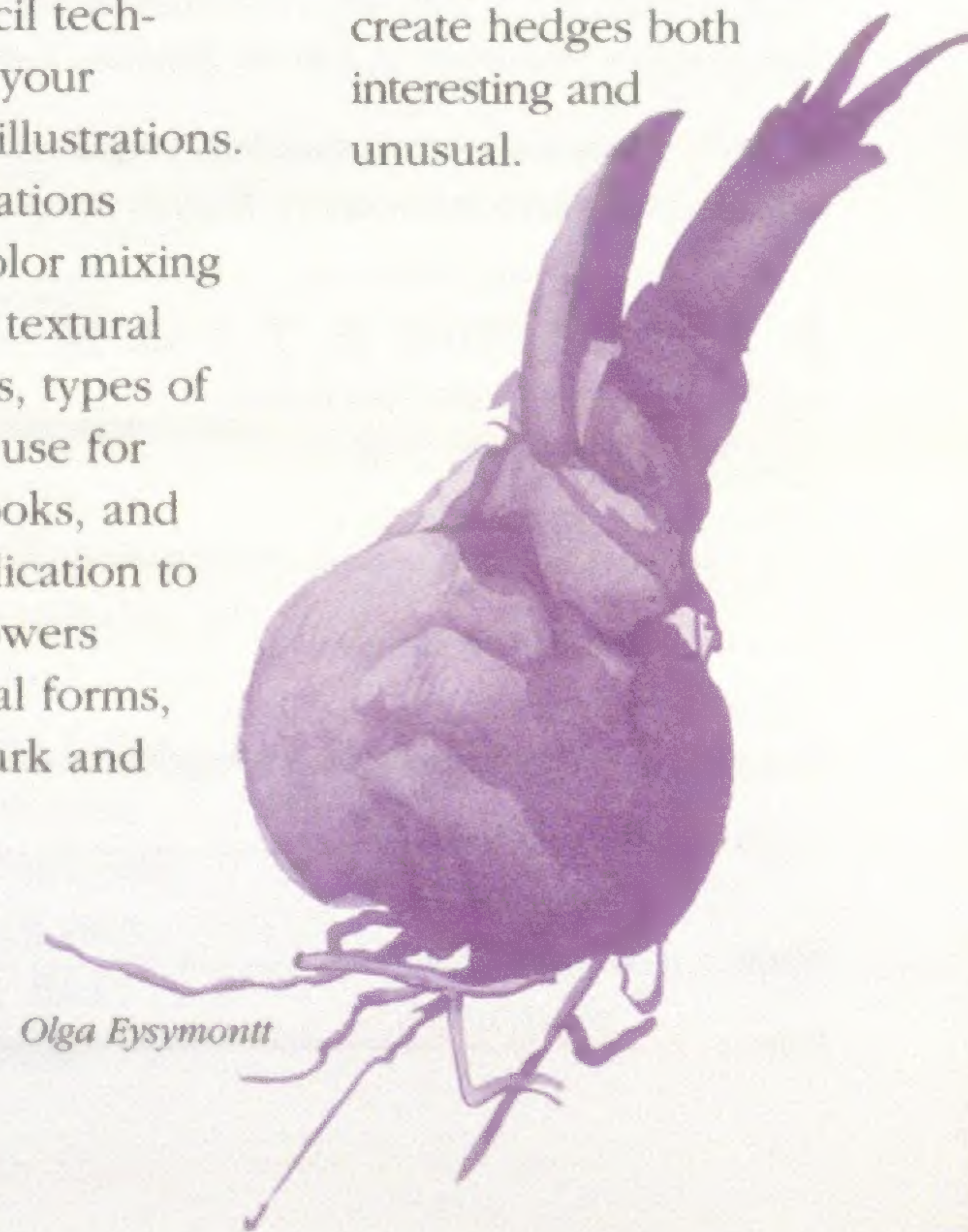
1:30 - 3:00 pm

Lecture Hall B

Jill Vig, Instructor

\$10 / \$13 non-members

When you think of hedges, does a boring expanse of boxwood flash across your mind's eye? Think again! Hedges have many roles, from defining boundary lines to creating garden rooms, and an almost endless variety of plants can be used, depending on one's need. Trees, shrubs, vines, even annuals can be drafted to provide protection, establish parameters (solid or psychological), add color, regulate traffic flow, or offer seclusion. Jill Vig will not only provide cultural information on the care and pruning of hedges, but she will also examine a wide variety of plant materials, including drought tolerant and shade loving plants, that can create hedges both interesting and unusual.



Olga Eysymontt

LANDSCAPING WITH HERBS

Saturday, May 19

10 - Noon

Lecture Hall A

Ruth Bracken, Instructor

\$12/\$15 non-members

The most successful herbs in the Southern California landscape will be discussed. In the garden, herbs can provide a backbone for design, adding texture, fragrance and color. "Common" herbs will be stressed as well as those perhaps lesser known, including both ornamental and culinary herbs. There will be a slide show and discussion of: eventual sizes, growth rate, tones and plant combinations. With a B.A. in ornamental horticulture and an M.A. in landscape design and architecture, Ruth also teaches UCLA Extension classes and designs commercial and residential projects.

WALK AND TALK AMONG THE TREES

Wednesday, May 23

1:30 - 3:00 pm

Walking Tour - Meet at the Tram Stop next to the Gift Shop

Jill Vig, Instructor

\$10/\$13 non-members

As Joyce Kilmer says "Only God can make a tree..." but did you know that The Arboretum has introduced some of our most beautiful tree species into Southern California horticulture? From *Tabebuias* to *Chorisia*s, they grace our landscapes, but there are many rare trees on The Arboretum grounds that have not yet made their way into the nurseries. Certified Arborist Jill Vig will lead a walking tour around The Arboretum to view some of those unusual trees, as well as spectacular specimens of more familiar varieties. Take the

tram to the waterfall in the Meadowbrook area, and then meander back, visiting superb tree specimens en route. Jill will discuss tree care and pruning to keep the most valuable assets of our landscapes looking their loveliest.

SUMMER IKEBANA

8 Fridays,

June 1 - July 20

Lecture Hall B

Reiko Kawamura, Instructor

\$55/\$68 non-members

\$24 materials fee payable to the instructor

Learn about Japanese cultural traditions in this popular workshop with Reiko Kawamura, and practice the techniques of Moribana, Heika and landscape arrangements. Individual instruction is given to students. Bring a 10" to 12" shallow container, clippers and a needle holder (frog) to the first class.

Olga Eysymontt



SUMMER BOTANICAL WATERCOLOR

7 Mondays,

June 4 - July 16

9:30 - 11:30 am

Lecture Hall A

Pat Brame, Instructor

\$50 / \$63 non-members

Join Pat Brame, noted watercolor instructor, for an inspiring and instructive painting course. This class encompasses all levels of expertise. Each student will discover that painting flowers (fresh from The Arboretum gardens!) is the easiest way to learn. A materials list will be given at the first class.

BOTANICAL ILLUSTRATION I: BASIC DRAWING

4 Tuesdays,

June 12 - July 3

9 am - Noon

Peacock Café Annex

Olga Eysymontt, Instructor

\$120/\$140 non-members

Using traditional methods of rendering, this course focuses on learning to observe and to draw accurately. Exercises are based on the Five Perceptual Skills of Drawing: edges, spaces, angles and proportion, light and shadow on form and the perception of the whole. It will help all who wish to fine-tune their drawing skills.

INFORMATION: Call 626-821-4623 or 626-821-4624 for information or to register for a class. Please fax (626-821-4642) or mail your registration form with your method of payment to: Los Angeles Arboretum Foundation, 301 N. Baldwin Ave., Arcadia, CA 91007-2697.

Reservations are recommended (required in some cases) for all classes, programs and events. Registration on the day of the program is

allowed if space is available. **NO CONFIRMATION IS SENT. ALL FEES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE.** However, classes may be cancelled due to low registration. Cancelled classes are fully refunded.

Special assistance is available for people with disabilities. Call the Program Manager at 626-821-4623 at least one week prior to the program for specific requests.

REGISTRATION

ONE CLASS/EVENT PER FORM PLEASE

Class/Event

LAAF Member

No. of people

Total

\$

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Non- Member

No. of people

Total

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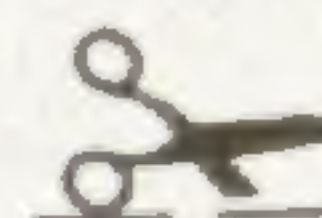
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(if applicable)



**GARDEN CELEBRATIONS:
TWO FREE TOURS
SATURDAY,
JUNE 16
KALLAM
PERENNIAL
GARDEN WALK:
10 AM**

Meet at Kallam Garden at 10 am

An informative tour with Loni Brown, who tends this glorious garden. The garden has distinct sections to it, such as specific areas devoted to white flowers and plants, another to blue ones, one to hot colors in addition to rainbow colors, and even one to gray colorations. Enjoy this peak season in the garden.

DROUGHT-TOLERANT GARDEN TOUR AND SUNSET GARDEN TOUR: 1 PM

Jill Vig, curator of the Water Conservation Garden, gives an in-depth look at the plants in the garden. See which ones might do best in your garden and what has flourished at The Arboretum. Then move on to the Sunset Garden with its glorious variety of plantings and designs all melded together into a Demonstration Garden. Jill will explain how each garden illustrates a theme that might be duplicated in one's own home, and talk about all the perennials that abound.

PLANT MORPHOLOGY FOR BOTANICAL ILLUSTRATORS

June 28 - July 2

Thursday - Monday

10:30 am to 3:30 pm

Lecture Hall

Dick Rauh, Instructor

\$300 for Members/

\$340 for Non-Members

The registration deadline is May 1. Class size is restricted to 15, so register early!

In addition, a textbook (*Botany Illustrated* by Glimn-Lacy and Kaufman) is highly recommended. The cost of the book is \$90 for members; it must be ordered at registration for June 28 delivery, or you may purchase it on your own.

Course Description: In this 5-day workshop you will examine the enormous variety of form and structural adaptation of flowering plants. Through lectures, demonstrations, and laboratory studies, you will learn to recognize major common families, plant parts, and plant growing stages. This course will greatly enhance the accuracy and integrity of your botanical drawings and paintings.

Instructor: Dick Rauh is an instructor and illustrator at The New York Botanical Garden. Dick illustrated *A Guide to Winter Wildflowers* by Carole Levine, published by Yale University Press, and the line illustrations for the signage in the Haupt Conservatory.



**MRS. P'S
PRESSED FLOWER
WORKSHOP**

Saturday, June 30

10 am - Noon

Lecture Hall A

Lynn A. Pitts, Instructor

\$27 / \$32 non-member

Minimum 20 students

Lynn Pitts, better known as "Mrs. P.," is a Master Gardener and recognized expert on flowers, a professional botanical artist and garden columnist, and is featured regularly on the PBS television program "The Art of Gardening." She will talk about the intriguing history of pressing plants, and will then teach the right way to press flowers using classic herbarium techniques. Each participant will receive a complete kit of supplies and plant materials to create three projects as well as printed instructions, special flower seeds, and a list of the best botanicals to press. Mrs. P. gathers all her flowers for pressing from her own cottage garden, so she truly is an expert in all aspects of preserving flowers. Don't miss this one!

SAVE THE DATES!!

**TOUR AND
TASTE**

JULY 12:

**MURDER IN THE
GARDEN**

with Stephanie Georgieff, Naturopath and Herbalist

JULY 26:

**ETHNOBOTANY IN
THE GARDEN**

with Dr. James Bauml, Senior Botanist

AUGUST 9:

**PREHISTORIC
GARDEN STROLL
THROUGH THE
TROPICAL FOREST**
with Timothy Phillips,
Superintendent

AUGUST 23:

**MOVIE LOCATIONS
AT THE ARBORETUM**
with Sandy Snider,
Associate Curator,
History

The program begins at 6 pm at the Gift Shop Tram Stop. Dinner at 7:30 at the Peacock Café terrace. \$35 per person. Reservations required; call 626/821-4623 or 821-4624.

**BOTANICAL
ILLUSTRATION 2:
DRAWING
PLANTS**

6 Mondays & Wednesdays, July 9, 11, 16, 18, 23, 25

9 am - Noon

Peacock Café Annex

Olga Eysymontt,
Instructor

\$180/\$200 non-members

A continuation of Botanical Illustration I. Accurate rendering of plant and leaf subject matter is the focus, including leaves, stems, flowers and roots. Pencil techniques are also demonstrated.

**PEN AND INK
ILLUSTRATION**

September 13 - 17

Thursday - Monday

10:30 am to 3:30 pm

\$300 for members /

\$340 for non-members

Carol Morley, Instructor from The New York Botanical Garden

This course teaches the fundamentals of pen and ink techniques. Learn to achieve different strokes and how to create tonal depth using, line, stipple and crosshatch techniques. The last three days you will work directly from live and dried plants to develop an ink drawing. A materials list will be sent with your confirmation.

CARBON DUST

September 18 - 19

Tuesday - Wednesday

10:30 am to 3:30 pm

\$140 for members /

\$170 for non-members

Carol Morley, Instructor from The New York Botanical Garden

Carbon dust rendering allows the artist to achieve photographic realism. It involves grinding a carbon pencil to dust with sandpaper and brushing the dust onto coated paper. A rich depth of tone results from delicately and slowly building layer upon layer. Create fine detail and hard edges using tools and techniques. A materials list will be sent with your confirmation.

April

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Insect Fair	2 Planting Design Botanical Watercolor	3 Green Side Up Trees & Shrubs Tai Chi	4 Composition	5 Ethnobotany Lecture Fanatic Gardeners	6 Fanatic Gardeners Ikebana Tai Chi	7 Beds & Borders World Tai Chi Day Iris Show Weekend Watercolor
8 Weekend Watercolor Iris Show	9 Botanical Watercolor	10 Green Side Up Trees & Shrubs Tai Chi	11 Composition	12 Fanatic Gardeners	13 Fanatic Gardeners Ikebana Tai Chi	14 Beds & Borders
15 EASTER	16 Botanical Watercolor	17 Green Side Up Trees & Shrubs Tai Chi FREE Arboretum Admission	18 Composition	19 Fanatic Gardeners	20 Fanatic Gardeners Ikebana Tai Chi	21 Beds & Borders Fragrant Plants Amaryllis Show
22	23 Botanical Watercolor	24 Green Side Up Trees & Shrubs Tai Chi	25 Composition Quail Garden & Casa de la Torre-Bueno Field Trip	26 Fanatic Gardeners	27 ARBOR DAY Fanatic Gardeners Ikebana Tai Chi	28 Beds & Borders Rose Show

29
Rose Show
Free Tree Talk

30
Botanical Watercolor
Color Pencil

Walking Tour: Every Wednesday, meet at the entrance (rotunda) at 11 am for a guided walk. Free with admission.
Bird Watching: First Sunday of each month, meet at the entrance (rotunda) at 8 am for a guided walk to help you identify birds in The Arboretum. Free with admission.
Santa Anita Depot: Open every Tuesday and Wednesday from 10 am-4 pm Sundays, 1-4 pm. Free with admission.
Free Admission: Third Tuesday of each month, admission to The Arboretum is free.

May

		1 Green Side Up Trees & Shrubs Tai Chi	2 Color Pencil	3 Fanatic Gardeners	4 Fanatic Gardeners Ikebana Tai Chi Baldwin Bonanza Party	5 Baldwin Bonanza
6 Baldwin Bonanza	7 Botanical Watercolor Color Pencil	8 Green Side Up Trees & Shrubs Tai Chi	9 Color Pencil	10 Fanatic Gardeners	11 Fanatic Gardeners Ikebana Tai Chi	12 Chinese Bonsai & Rare Stones Show
13 Mother's Day Queen Anne Cottage Open Chinese Bonsai & Rare Stones Show	14 Color Pencil	15 Trees & Shrubs Tai Chi FREE Arboretum Admission	16 Beyond Boxwood: A New Look at Hedges Color Pencil	17 Fanatic Gardeners	18 Fanatic Gardeners Ikebana Tai Chi	19 Landscaping With Herbs Epiphyllum Show
20 Epiphyllum Show	21	22 Tai Chi	23 Walk and Talk Among the Trees	24	25 Tai Chi	26 Bonsai Show
27 Bonsai Show	28 MEMORIAL DAY	29 Tai Chi	30	31		

THE "ORGANIFICATION" OF THE ARBORETUM

The roles of public gardens, which include both botanical gardens and arboreta, throughout the world are being redefined to reflect the changing cultural and environmental needs of our modern societies.

Public gardens have become multi-faceted botanical institutions, incorporating into their missions, conservation, research, passive recreation, and last but not least, education (cultural, botanical, horticultural, environmental and so on). In addition, concerns about devastating environmental degradation in our communities are forcing public gardens to alter their chemical heavy practices which they have become so reliant upon. Instead, public gardens are now becoming centers for sustainable urban horticulture.

With this in mind, current horticultural practices at The Arboretum are being evaluated and within the next year many so called "accepted" practices will see their end. A "least toxic/best practice" approach to grounds care and maintenance will be implemented, otherwise known as integrated pest management.

Also, a "green waste recycling" composting program is being implemented. The green waste composting facility will be able to handle up to five hundred cubic yards of green waste at any given time. This means The Arboretum will no longer be paying to have grass clippings and other organic

wastes hauled away.

Instead, we will be incorporating the green waste back into the collections in the form of composted mulch. Composted mulch will return essential nutrients back to the soils, aid in water conservation, inhibit weed seed germination and add to the aesthetic appeal of the entire Arboretum. In a sense The Arboretum will become 100% biomass efficient.

The "organification" of The Arboretum has begun, with the best practices/least toxic approach to Arboretum care being slowly integrated

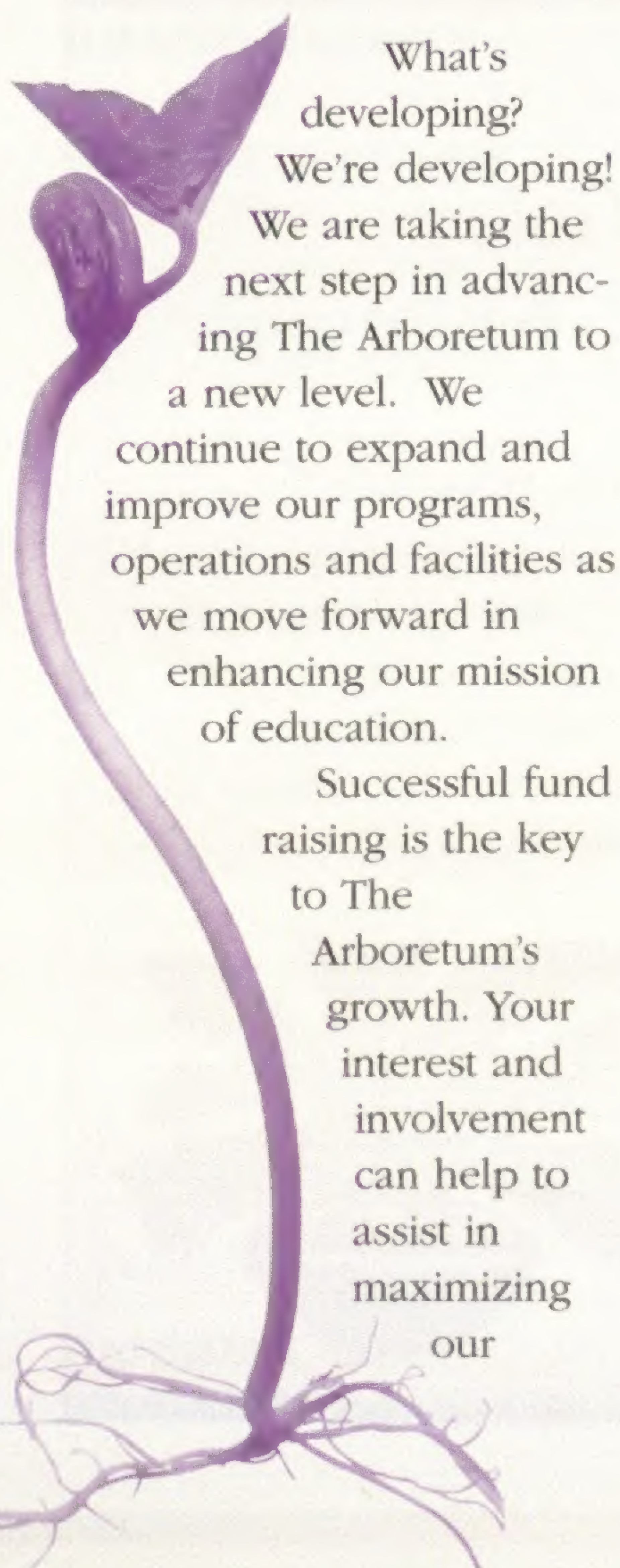


into our institutional practices. The concept of an "eco" garden needs to be conveyed to the community we cater to, with hopes that what is practiced within will be applied outside our institutional walls.

Tim Phillips
Superintendent

WHAT'S DEVELOPING?

DEVELOPMENT (DI-VEL-EP-MENT), N. - A STEP OR STAGE IN GROWTH, ADVANCEMENT, ETC. (WEBSTER'S DICTIONARY)



What's developing?
We're developing!
We are taking the next step in advancing The Arboretum to a new level. We continue to expand and improve our programs, operations and facilities as we move forward in enhancing our mission of education.

Successful fund raising is the key to The Arboretum's growth. Your interest and involvement can help to assist in maximizing our

funding. A large portion of our overall fund raising campaign is a people-oriented process. Fund raising leads to fund raising, and these activities are essential prerequisites to both the recruitment of effective leadership and the request for funds. Your embracing this process can help the people-to-people approach.

Your friends and business associates may lead us to new relationships and potential new donors. We hope to hear from you with suggestions of persons to contact. Your goodwill can go a long way in providing major motivation for giving.

Development is much more than just fund raising. Strategic planning, building of relationships, marketing,

volunteer programs, membership, and of course, the cultivation, solicitation and relations with donors are all pieces that make up some of the development office's pie. Fund raising never stands alone in an organization. It is part of an integrated whole.

As we move The Arboretum ahead in the 21st Century, I welcome your participation in the development process and being a part of history. Please feel free to visit me at The Arboretum's Development Office the next time you're here. Or you can reach me at (626) 821- 3237, or via e-mail at Larry.Trujillo@arboretum.org. We value your interest and support!

Larry Trujillo
Director of Development

THE DOCENTS' CORNER

IF YOU LIKE
CHILDREN
AND HISTORY
OR PLANTS...
WE CAN USE YOU!

Being a docent is fun, exciting and rewarding. There are about 30 active Arboretum docents and many have been doing it for more than 10 years.

One of the most rewarding activities of our highly dedicated docent group is conducting the school tours. Each



year we are responsible for taking nearly 5000 students on approximately 300 tours of The Arboretum. There are two tours, one on California history and the other we now call "Plants in our World." Some of our docents are also active with adult tours.

We are seeking more individuals who would like to become docents and help us fulfill our commitment to the many schools in Los Angeles County. We offer an exciting training session. For more information, contact me, Bob Weber, at bobweber@loop.com or call Jill Berry, the Education Program Manager, at 626-821-4624

By Bob Weber



The Arboretum of Los Angeles County

WWW.ARBORETUM.ORG

The Arboretum Web Site has undergone a "renovation" to become a more user-friendly resource. Content has been expanded, graphics improved and overall organization and information greatly enhanced.

Visit the site now to see added features like "What's Blooming Now" and "Amazing Plant Facts". A list of frequently asked questions is just the beginning of a steady stream of new features, search functions and even games that are planned to appear in the near future. Here is just a partial list of some of the planned new functions and features for www.arboretum.org:

- A searchable plant database

that lets you find out if we have a particular plant that you are interested in

- A calendar that lets you browse the events and classes at the Arboretum by category, date, or keyword
- An online store
- A plant advice section where you can submit your plant and horticultural questions to The Arboretum staff
- Online membership renewal and members only section
- Virtual tours of The Arboretum
- An education section with educational games, lesson

plans, and articles for K-12

- Up-to-the-minute news from The Arboretum and the world of plants
- A section devoted to ethnobotany
- A database of Arboretum bird sightings
- A database of blooming times
- Movies filmed at The Arboretum
- Information sheets on horticulture, ethnobotany and more

So visit our site often. Chances are you will see something new and exciting each time you visit.

by Frank McDonough

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WELCOME & THANK YOU TO PERSSON'S NURSERY OUR 1ST CORPORATE MEMBER

Persson's Nursery Inc., of Pasadena, has made a wonderful donation to The Arboretum to improve it's Circle Garden area. The gift is dedicated, by the family, to Walter & Violet Persson who started in the nursery industry in 1950.

Persson's is renovating the Circle Garden and the borders leading up to it, including the design, donation of plants, donation of soil amendments,

and the installation.

Persson's Nursery is located at 3115 E. Sierra Madre Boulevard in Pasadena. The phone number is (626) 792-6073.



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New, bigger and better best describes the new membership categories that will become effective on July 1, 2001. Here's a preview of what's to come.

BASIC MEMBERSHIP

Senior Member(s)	\$35
Student Member	\$35
Individual Member (1 adult)	\$40
Garden Member(s) (2 adults and your children under 18)	\$60

- One year free admission to The Arboretum
- Admission to more than 100 reciprocating gardens throughout the US
- 10% discount in The Arboretum Gift Shop
- Members only discount available for most classes, workshops, lectures, tours, family programs and special events
- 10% discount at participating nurseries
- Invitations to members only, special events
- New Member Orientation Tram Tour
- News from The Arboretum newsletter and calendar
- Member walking privileges beginning at 8 am

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Sustainer Individual (1 adult)	\$100
Garden Sustainer(s) (4 adults and your children under 18)	\$125

Basic Membership Benefits plus:

- Patron of the Garden provides unlimited visits for 2 adults and your children under 18 to Descanso Gardens, South Coast Botanic Garden, and, by reservation, the Virginia Robinson Gardens

SPONSOR

Garden Sponsor(s) \$300
Sustainer Membership Benefits plus:

- VIP passes to special presentations and lectures
- Donor Board Recognition
- 2 one-time guest passes to The Arboretum

AFFILIATE

Garden Affiliate(s) \$500
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- Complimentary Arboretum gift
- 20% discount in The Arboretum Gift Shop

BENEFACTOR

Garden Benefactor(s) \$1,000
Affiliate Membership Benefits plus:

- Annual Benefactor special event
- 1 Garden Gift Membership
- Private tour of The Arboretum for up to 24

GRAND PATRON

Lucky Baldwin Circle \$2,500
Benefactor Membership Benefits plus:

- Use of Sunset Demonstration Gardens for an event for a group of 50
- 2 tickets to most classes, workshops, lectures, family programs and special events at The Arboretum

Samuel Ayres Circle \$5,000
Lucky Baldwin Circle Benefits plus:

- 4 tickets (total) to most classes, workshops, lectures, tours, family and special events
- Use of a table for 10 at a California Philharmonic concert including a pre-concert dinner

MATCHING GIFT PROGRAM:

Matching Gifts

will increase your membership level! Many generous corporations in the area take part in a matching gift program. If yours does, you can upgrade your membership level. Ask your employers for a matching gift form, fill it out and attach it to your membership information.

PLANNED GIVING: Information on remembering The Arboretum in wills, or by establishing charitable trusts, and other forms of Planned Giving can be obtained through the Development Office.

CORPORATE MEMBERSHIPS: Customized Corporate Memberships are now available! Please contact the Director of Development, 626-821-3222.

Remember Membership contributions are tax-deductible within the limits prescribed by law.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

May 12 & 13:

Chinese Bonsai & Rare Stones
10:00 AM – 3:00PM

May 13:

Queen Anne Cottage Day, Open House
10:00AM – 4:00PM

May 19 & 20:

Epiphyllum Society Show & Sale
9:00AM – 4:00 PM



Every Tuesday


and Friday,


7:30 - 8:30 AM:



TAI CHI IN THE GARDEN, on the lawn in front of the entrance fountains. Free for Arboretum members. Marvin Quon, Instructor

A Gallery of Great Gifts Only at The Gift Shop!

 Nature theme candles and garden accessories 

Patio Windsocks in iridescent colors  Garden and

Children's books  Tools, gloves and unique gift items.

 A new line of aromatherapy items 

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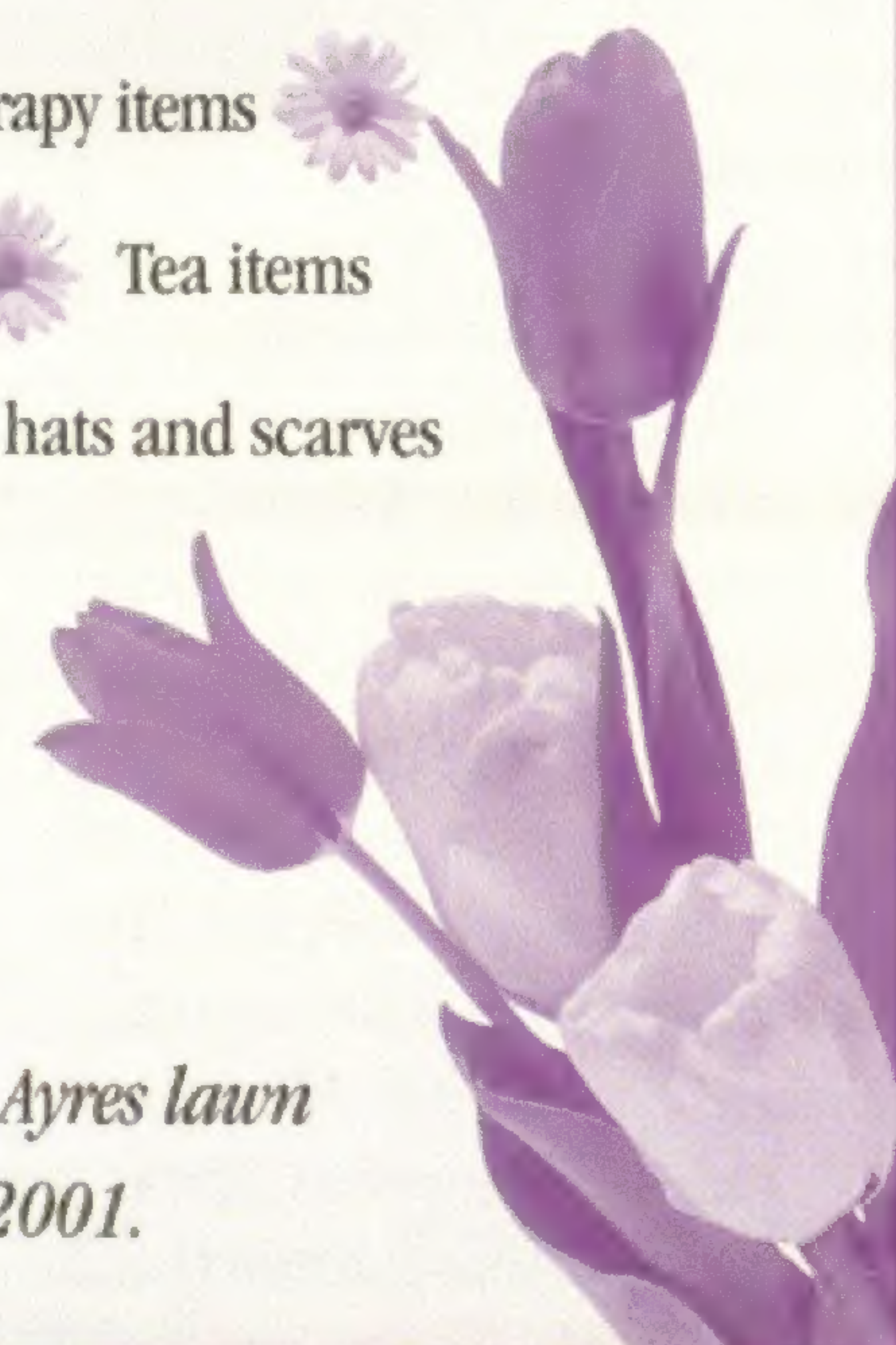
and sachets, crocheted garden hats and scarves

for Mother's Day 

A nice selection of colorful

plants 

Visit our friendly display on Ayres lawn during Baldwin Bonanza 2001.



CAL PHIL'S "FESTIVAL ON THE GREEN" CONCERT SERIES OFFERS DISCOUNT TO ARBORETUM MEMBERS

Arboretum members enjoy a 10% discount on the single ticket price for the summer concert series, "Festival on the Green". These very special events begin June 30th with 7:30 p.m. Saturday evening concerts every two weeks throughout the summer on the Concert Lawn of The Arboretum. Sunset Magazine is once more the presenting sponsor.

The California Philharmonic Orchestra, with Maestro Victor Vener at the musical helm, sails into its fifth year with a series of seven classical

music evenings programmed to appeal to a wide audience. Arboretum gates open at 5:30 so attendees may enjoy picnic suppers either brought from home or purchased from one of the four participating restaurants. The Philharmonic Fountain sells wine and beverages as well.

Previous summer seasons have been extremely well received by both patrons and critics alike. This coming summer series is already off to a strong sales start, so Arboretum members are encouraged to call right away



for the very best seats available.

Single seat prices begin with lawn seats at \$15. The chair section is \$20; the C table area is \$35; B table area is \$45; and A table seating is \$60. Remember to mention your Arboretum membership to receive 10% off these prices.

"These are truly family events," says Cal Phil's Executive Director Andre Vener.

The season begins with "American as Apple Pie" on June 30, then: "Musical Masterpieces" on July 14, "Fiesta Mexicana" on July 28, "Broadway's Best" on August 11, "Romeo and Juliet" on August 25, "Hollywood Westerns" on September 8, and "Russia's Giants" on September 22. For tickets or a brochure, call (626) 300-8200.

WHAT'S BLOOMING NOW?

ENJOY OUR BLOOMS

APRIL

Located in the Water Conservation Garden, the native Bush Poppy (*Dendromecon rigida*), has spectacular lemon yellow flowers.

The Meadowbrook area hosts several species of the Princess Tree (*Pau-
lownia
tomentosa*) with its fragrant blue



trumpet-shaped flowers which awe all who first see them.

The Sweetshade (*Hymenosporum flavum*), another fragrant favorite with yellowish blooms, is found in the Australian section.

On the west end of Tallac Knoll, the Purple Orchid Tree (*Bauhinia variegata*) sports profuse orchid-like blooms.

The red-flowered Spear Lily (*Doryanthes palmeri*), related to the yucca, can be

found in the northern part of the Australian section.

MAY

Found throughout the Arboretum, the Jacaranda Tree (*Jacaranda mimosifolia*) lights up like large lavender blue flames.

The Butterfly Bush (*Buddleia davidii*) boasts white, purple, and pink spikes of flowers and can be seen in the Kallam Garden, Meadowbrook Area and the Water Conservation Garden.

Look for Kangaroo Paws (*Anigozanthos flavidus*) with furry flowers of gold, yellow, and pink throughout The Arboretum.

A grove of Cockspur Coral Trees (*Erythrina crista-galli*) that produces crimson-red blooms for a long period can be found near Roots and Shoots.

APRIL 27, 2001 • NATIONAL ARBOR DAY

ARBOR DAY CELEBRATION

On April 27, National Arbor Day, The Arboretum and the Arcadia Rotary Club will honor the day with a tree planting and dedication ceremony. Each year the Arcadia Rotary Club generously sponsors the Arbor Day activities at The Arboretum. This year the selected tree is a *Prunus serrulata* 'Kwanzan' or the Kwanzan flowering cherry.

In addition to the tree planting, on Sunday, April 29, from 1:00-2:00pm in Lecture Hall A, arborist Jerry Turney will give an informative talk on trees. His lecture will include how to select a tree, the correct way to plant a tree, how to maintain and care for



it, the correct way to prune trees as well as information on pests. The event is free to all so stop by and bring your questions with you.

Finally, through The National Arbor Day Foundation, you can vote for the tree you think should be America's National Tree at www.arborday.org. The deadline for your vote is midnight, April 26, 2001.

Welcome Members

December 1 - January 30, 2000

The Los Angeles Arboretum Foundation welcomes new and renewing members to The Arboretum family. A sincere thank you to everyone listed here!

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"Ancient Wisdom and Modern Medicine: Ethnobotanical Exploration in Central America and the Pacific", presented by Dr. Michael Balick of The New York Botanical Garden, will be the first lecture in this new series presented by The Arboretum. The lecture will start promptly at 7:30PM in

Ayres Hall on The Arboretum grounds on April 15.

Dr. Balick, Director and Philecology Curator at the Institute of Economic Botany at The New York Botanical Garden, is a renowned expert in the field of ethnobotany, the study of relationships between plants and people.

Trained at Harvard University, Dr. Balick did research on the native oil palms of South America. Since 1987 he has been working under contract with the National Cancer Institute to screen bulk samples of higher plants as potential anti-AIDS and anti-cancer therapeutics. This work has been based in Belize, Central America, where Dr. Balick helped create the Ix Chel Tropical

Research Foundation to study traditional medicine and ethnobotany of the region.

Other recent projects have included work in Brazil, Haiti, Thailand and India. He will bring copies of his latest book on traditional healing, *Rainforest Remedies*.

The additional lecture dates and renowned speakers, all involved in studying and preserving traditional plant use from various cultures, are:

Thursday, June 21:

Dr. James A. Duke, ret. USDA, distinguished Economic Botanist, 2000

Wednesday, October 10:

Dr. Wade Davis, Explorer-in-Residence, National Geographic Society

Wednesday, December 5:

Dr. Mark Plotkin, President, Amazon Conservation Team

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Series tickets for all four presentations will be sold for \$50 non-members, \$40 members; cost for individual lectures is \$15.00 non-members, \$12.00 members, \$8.00 for students with valid identification. For more information call Jill Berry at 626-821-4624 or visit www.arboretum.org



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